

SCAC Survey: Municipal Arrestees Housed in County Jails

County	Do you charge for housing municipal arrestees?	Per Diem Charged	How charge was determined	Custody of the Jail	Does your budget reflect revenues/expenses for municipal arrestees?	Comments
Bamberg	Yes	\$16/day	Not reported	Not reported	Not reported	
Barnwell	Yes	\$25/day	Not known how charge was determined.	Sheriff	Yes	
Charleston	No	N/A	N/A	Sheriff	N/A	
Cherokee	Yes	\$39.67/day	Total cost to operate facility divided by inmate days.	Sheriff	Not at this time, but county is looking to address charges on a per inmate basis that are city detainees.	
Darlington	No	N/A	N/A	Sheriff	N/A	
Dillon	Yes	\$35/day	By estimating the cost per day to house an inmate.	Sheriff	Yes, revenues only. The revenue is combined with the Federal Inmate revenue.	
Fairfield	No	N/A	N/A	County Council	N/A	
Greenwood	No	N/A	N/A	Sheriff	No, not separately. Aggregated with other inmates.	
Hampton	Yes	\$25/day after the first day.	Based on half the cost (\$50) to municipalities.	County Council	Yes	
Horry	Yes	\$35/day after the first day. See comments.	Determined in the late 1990's by the former County Administrator when the County Administrator operated the detention center.	Sheriff	Yes	Less than 6 hours \$8.75; 6-14 hours \$17.50; 15-23 hours \$26.50; 24 hours \$35.00. Time starts after a Judge has sentenced the inmate and they are brought to the detention center. The fee will end when they either bond out or served time.
Jasper	No, although the municipalities do contribute to the funding of a "Career Criminal Team" run by the Solicitor's Office which funds attorneys to go after repeat offenders and move them out of the local jail to trial and into state custody.	N/A	N/A	County Council	No, not separately.	
Kershaw	Yes	\$50/day	Based on average cost to house one inmate.	County Council	Yes	
Lancaster	Yes	\$33.43/day	Based on previous year's audited operational costs to house detainees, divided by 365 days and average daily population.	Sheriff	Yes	Charges are determined yearly and formalized in the budget.

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Lee	Yes	\$214,000 annual cost expected for FY16	City is charged a % of use rate based on the number of days served by inmates arrested on municipal charges.	Sumter County Council.	Yes, as an expense line item.	Detention center is jointly owned by Sumter and Lee counties. Sumter county is the primary owner. Charges for municipalities are based on the same percentage of use calculations that form the basis of the contract between Sumter and Lee Counties that determines each county's share of the operational budget for the Sumter/Lee Regional Detention Center. The total operational budget for the Sumter/Lee Regional Detention Center is approximately \$6 million per year. Lee County budgeted cost for FY16 is \$477,200.
Pickens	Yes	\$65/day plus medical costs	Based on what one of the cities charges county to house juveniles.	Post sentence - Council; pre-sentence - Sheriff	Yes	
Richland	Yes	\$25/day	Negotiated several years ago as part of an agreement to merge City of Columbia and Richland County detention facilities.	County Council	Yes	
Spartanburg	Yes	\$45.65 after 10 days + medical related expenses.	Based on avg. daily cost to house an inmate at time agreement was signed.	Sheriff	Yes, except medical charges directly applicable to the municipality. Revenues are budgeted and recorded separately; expenses are budgeted and recorded with the county's expenditures for all detainees.	Fee applies for municipal charges. If charge is scheduled for circuit court, fees not charged.
Sumter	Yes	\$55/day	Cost analysis many years ago.	County Council	Yes, revenues.	
Union	Yes	\$52/day	Based on benchmarking analysis	Jail - Sheriff; Detention Center - County Council.	Yes, included in revenue projections.	Based on Sheriff's recommendation, county recently looked at possibility of increase. Sheriff gathered some benchmarking data from which it was determined that current charge was in line and thus did not change.
Williamsburg	No			Sheriff	Yes, expenses.	

SUMMARY OF RESPONSES:

21 (46%) of 46 counties responded to the survey.

The average reported per diem to house municipal arrestees is \$37.635 per day.

15 (71%) responding counties indicated "yes", they charge to house municipal arrestees.

6 (29%) responding counties indicated "no", they do not charge to house municipal arrestees.

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SUMMARY OF RESPONSES (Continued)

10 (48%) responding counties indicated that the detention center is housed under the sheriff.

8 (38%) responding counties indicated that the detention center is housed under county council.

2 (1%) responding counties indicated that the detention center/jail is housed under both the sheriff and county council, dependent on the circumstances of the arrest or sentencing status.

3 (1.4%) responding counties indicated that the county budget does not reflect separate expenses or revenues for municipal arrestees.

14 (67%) responding counties indicate that the county budget includes revenues, expenses or both for municipal arrestees.